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EASTERN REGIONAL OFFICE

Laurie Dahmen
Department of Ecology
Eastern Regional Office
4601 N Monroe St
Spokane, WA 99205-1295


Re: Trust Water Application for the Purchase and Sale of a Portion of Mill Creek Water Right
Adjudicated Certificate No. 54, Walla Walla Basin

Dear Laurie,

Enclosed is a trust water application for a portion of Mill Creek Water Right Adjudicated Certificate No. 54 in the Walla Walla Basin. The water right is shared between several landowners and five of those landowners have entered into agreements to sell their portion of the water right to Washington Water Trust (each has signed separate but identical trust water application because there weren't enough signature lines on one application).

The land under this water right has been in continuous irrigation over the life of the water right with the exception of a few parcels which have been developed in the past couple of years (more detail is provided on these parcels). This particular water right shares a point of diversion with Mill Creek Water Right Adjudicated Certificate No. 52 which is indicated on the enclosed map. A formal irrigation district was never established, rather the group has acted as more of an informal ditch partnership with various people serving as the "water" or "ditch" master.

A fish screen and meter were installed at the point of diversion in August of 2004. It is important to note that the irrigators have had significant difficulty with the operation of the screen. During low flow conditions in Mill Creek the screen made it nearly impossible to withdraw the full amount of the water right and necessitated irrigation rotation between the parcels. There was a constant vegetative buildup on the exterior of the screen which required



nearly hourly cleaning. Given this challenge the water right holders request that this be taken into account when determining beneficial use. Agricultural crop use has varied over the life of the water right but in recent years most landowners have had their ground in turf grass. Wheel lines are the primary mechanism for irrigation and were installed in 1985. There is also a small storage pond used on a daily basis during the irrigation season. Irrigation has generally occurred from March - October or November each year.

Included with this application are a map of the place of use, aerial photographs from 2004 and 2006, a list of all parcels within the place of use including water right sellers and non sellers and pump records (there may be more records in Ecology's Walla Walla Office). One of the sellers, the Walla Walla Housing Authority has developed their property in recent years, however the property was irrigated up through 2003, I have include a note from the previous landowner describing this history. In addition, the property previously owned by Robert Maiuri was also sold, however Mr. Maiuri retained the water rights as indicated in the enclosed purchase and sale agreement and an accompanying letter from him.

Five sellers are included in this application; however we are awaiting a signed contract from a sixth seller. Recognizing that this is not a straightforward trust water application, I have attempted to provide as much information as possible, please let me know what further questions I can answer.

Thank you for your time,

Amanda Cronin



Project Manager
Washington Water Trust

Mill Creek Adjudicated Certificate No 54

Contact Information

Willing Sellers

Name	Phone Number
Ben Daltoso:	(509) 525-1112
Greg Ponti:	(509) 525-9243 509 520 5775 cell
Gerald Locati: (don't have contract yet)	(509) 525-6981
JoAnn Collins:	(509) 529-4086
Robert Maiuri:	509 301 1739

Walla Walla Housing Authority -13 Subdivided L (509) 527-4542 x104

Other People in Place of Use

Hardy, Mark and Carrie	(509) 525-3926	
Bossini, Louis	(509) 525-7741	
Gooch, Tamara (Tami)	(509) 522-8221	
Bussini, Arthur	(509) 529 0296	
Washam, Donna	(509) 240-1307	
Moore, Fred and Sharon	(509) 525-1752	
Scheibe Mark and Brenda	(509) 522-3654 cell phone 541 314 8610	
John Pao	(509) 529-3471	Still irrigating
Baldwin, Norman and Russel Sutherland	Both Norman and Russel passed away	
Hamada, Randy and Kathy -Joe Hamada signed-	call Jerry Stalder 529 4955 or 525 5846	
randy is in district 1	cell 301 8062	

Contact Randy (509) 529-0121
509 526 0696 fax or 509 240 0292

Still irrigating

Property Owners in Place of Use for Mill Creek Water Right Adjudicated Certificate No. 54

Name Sellers	Address	Total Acres in Place of Use	Parcel Numbers
1 Ben and Maguerite Daltoso: (Daltoso Farms) 505 Woodland Walla Walla, WA 99362 CS3-#28054J ID# 4478894		Total 11.64 .68 2.96 1 7	360719330005 360719330012 360719330011 360719330022
2 Greg and Gloria Ponti: 923 WALLULA AVE WALLA WALLA, WA 99362 Total CS3-#28054J ID# 4478922		5.68 4.2 1.48	360719330001 360730220001
3 Gerald and Elaine Locati: 357 SNIDER DR WALLA WALLA, WA 99362 Total CS3-#28054J ID# 4478941		11.05 6.05 5	360719330004 360730220014
4 Joann Collins: 713 ELECTRIC AVE WALLA WALLA, WA 99362 Total CS3-#28054J ID# 4478958		11.03 .49 1 4.8 4.74	350725521928 360730220010 360730220029 360730220030
5 Robert Maiuri: 211 NW RUBY LN COLLEGE PLACE WA 9932 CS3-#28054J ID# 4478972		3.43 0.14	360730220006 360730220007 360730220023 360730220025
6 Walla Walla Housing Authority -13 Subdivided Lots RENEE ROOKER 501 CAYUSE ST WALLA WALLA WA :99362- CS3-#28054J ID# 4478986			360730590001 360730590002 360730590003 360730590004 360730590005 360730590006 360730590007

Contact: Washington Water Trust

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<i>Sellers</i>			
Ben and Maguerite Daltoso: (Daltoso Farms) 505 Woodland Walla Walla, WA 99362		Total 11.64	
		.68	360719330005
		2.96	360719330012
		1	360719330011
		7	360719330022
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		4.2	360719330001
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		6.05	360719330004
		5	360730220014
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Joann Collins: 713 ELECTRIC AVE WALLA WALLA, WA 99362 Total		11.03	
		.49	350725521928
		1	360730220010
		4.8	360730220029
		4.74	360730220030
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Robert Maiuri: 211 NW RUBY LN COLLEGE PLACE WA 9932		3.43	360730220006
		0.14	360730220007
			360730220023
			360730220025

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 RENEE ROOKER 501 CAYUSE ST WALLA WALLA WA :99362-

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Non Sellers

Jeff Adams: 7080 StateLine Rd Touchet, WA 99360

8.49

360730220031

Hamada, Randy and Kathy

1640 GRAY LYNN DR WALLA WALLA WA 99362

3.78

360730210012

Hardy, Mark and Carrie

228 CRUTHERS ST Walla Walla, WA. 99362

1.07

360730220021

Bossini, Louis

233 BENNETT ST Walla Walla, Wa 99362

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360730220032

Gooch, Tamara

234 AVERY ST WALLA WALLA, WA 99362

0.28

360730210018
360730210015

Bussini, Arthur

238 AVERY WALLA WALLA WA 99362

Unspecified Lot Size

360730210014

Washam, Donna

244 AVERY WALLA WALLA WA 99362

0.3

360730210017

Moore, Fred and Sharon

252 AVERY WALLA WALLA WA 99362

0.4

360730210016

Scheibe Mark and Brenda

264 AVERY ST WALLA WALLA WA 99362

0.8

360730210013

John Pao

334 WOODLAND WALLA WALLA WA 99362

11.3

360719330002

WATER DISTRIB DIST 1c/o JOHN PAO

625 WOODLAND AVE WALLA WALLA WA 99362

0.92

360730220013

Baldwin, Norman and Russel Sutherland (Jerry Stalder: Contact)

Total

2.68

360730210021

2210 CROSSHAVEN DR WALLA WALLA WA 99362

0.17

360730210019

2.51

Walla Walla Foundry Inc

405 WOODLAND AVE WALLA WALLA WA 99362

4.24

360730220020

Please fill out Form #3 ONLY if you have pressurized flow (from either ground or surface water). Fill out one form for each measuring device.

Organization: Boswell Ditch Irrigator Water Right Number(s): WW R173 - Adjudication # 52 w/ch 125
Please circle APPROPRIATE UNITS # 34

Week	Date	Meter Reading (gallons ac-ft other)	Peak Flow (gpm cfs other)	Week	Date	Meter Reading (gallons ac-ft other)	Peak Flow (gpm cfs other)
Start					7-3-06		
January				July	7-3-06	498283	
					7-10-06	511969	
					7-17-06	519034	
					7-24-06	528704	
February				August	7-31-06	540588	
					8-7-06	550417	
					8-14-06	560517	
					8-21-06	568426	
March				Sept.	8-28-06	577765	
					9-4-06	585643	
					9-11-06	591760	
					9-18-06	597588	
April	3	371228		Oct.	9-25-06	601186	
	10	386476			10-2-06	612890	
	17	389234			10-9-06	623111	
	24	398581		Nov.			
May	1	398581					
	8	410245					
	15	421728		Dec.			
	22	434325					
June	29	438494					
	5	446123					
	12	461047					
	19	475454					

Month	Monthly Volume	March	July	November
	480134	None	2598578	November
	(gallons ac-ft other)	April	August	December
January	None	1535519	2257425	
February	None	May	September	
		June	October	
			1235981	

Total Annual Volume: _____ (gallons) ac-ft other _____
Peak Instantaneous Flow: _____ (gpm) cfs other _____

Comments: